



State of Arizona
Department of Education

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STATE OF ARIZONA GUIDELINES The General Educational Development (GED®) Test

1. **Title of State Credential**
Arizona High School Equivalency Diploma
2. **Testing Costs**
The applicant must pay the appropriate testing fee for the full GED battery of five academic subjects. The testing fee and the retesting fee are determined by the individual Testing Center. The State Administrative Fee is determined by the Arizona Department of Education.
3. **Valid Identification**
The applicant must present two valid forms of identification that include the applicant's name, address, signature, and date of birth. At least one of these must be a current government-issued ID with photo.
4. **Eligibility for Testing**
The applicant must be at least eighteen (18) years of age and have not received a high school diploma or high school equivalency diploma. An individual between sixteen (16) years of age and eighteen (18) years of age may be tested provided the applicant provides additional required documentation:
 - a. Presents to the Examiner a signed, notarized statement of test consent from a parent or legal guardian; **AND**
 - b. Presents verification from the last school attended, certifying that the applicant has been formally withdrawn from school or is not currently enrolled in any school; **AND**
 - c. Presents two (2) forms of identification:
 - i. A valid identification which includes a photo (i.e. State issued ID/driver license)
 - ii. A proof of age document (i.e. birth certificate, passport, etc.)
5. **Test Language Options**
The GED Test can be administered in English, Spanish or French. Provisions must be made in advance for using a Spanish or French test.
6. **Accommodations**
Special Accommodations can be arranged for anyone who is disabled, i.e., audiocassette version, extended time, private room, etc.
Provisions must be made in advance. Documentation is required. Applications for any accommodation must be obtained from the Official Testing Center, completed, submitted and approved by both the State GED Administrator and the GEDTS before testing begins.

7. Official Testing Centers

An official GED Test can only be administered at an Official Testing Center. GED applicants must take all sections of the GED Test at the same Testing Center or, if circumstances require changing to another Testing Center, any money already paid will be non-refundable and additional testing charges will be required at the new Testing Center.

8. Retesting

After a thirty (30) day waiting period, retesting may be permitted on the entire battery or the individual sections in the battery, but GED applicants must complete all sections of the GED Test before any retesting can begin.

The availability of alternate test forms may limit the number of possible retests in a calendar year (January to December).

NOTE: Successful GED recipients are not allowed to retest for a higher score unless a higher score is required for admission to post-secondary education, training, or to meet employment requirements. Documentation is required.

9. Score Requirements

Passing scores on the GED Test for the purpose of receiving an Arizona High School Equivalency Diploma are:

- a. A minimum of 410 points on each of the five sections; **AND**
- b. A combined total point average of 450; **AND**
- c. A cumulative total of 2,250 points for all sections.

10. Residency Requirements

No residency is required, provided the student takes at least one test in Arizona and/or has attended an Arizona high school prior to entering any military service.

11. Diplomas and Official Transcripts

Only the Arizona Department of Education issues the Arizona High School Equivalency Diploma. This diploma is issued based on a person having taken and successfully passed the Official GED Test.

Official transcripts of examination results are available online at www.ged123.org and require the requestor to provide a specially-assigned unique Access Code. Contact Adult Education Services to obtain this code.

12. Transcript Fees

Original diplomas and Official GED Transcripts are free of charge for successful candidates. Additional transcripts are available online (see #11).

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